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1. Why is Valentine in prison? Why is he pardoned by the governor?
2. When out of prison, how does Valentine support himself?
3. Why does Ben start looking for Jimmy again?
4. At what point in the story does Valentine become another man?
5. What causes the change?
6. Why does Valentine use his old talents once again?
7. Find three details in the story that support the idea that Valentine really has changed.
8. Why does Ben pretend not to know Jimmy?
9. Explain the meaning of the story's title.
10. If you were Ben Price, what would you have done when you confronted Jimmy after he let the girl out of the safe?

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### Analyzing Literature: Understanding the Surprise Ending

1. Define surprise ending:
2. How did you think the story would end? What clues led you to expect this ending?
3. How did the story really end?

### Character Types

Thinking of "A Retrieved Reformation", identify the character type for each of the fictional characters below and explain your choice. \*Use your character types notes!

**Jimmy Valentine**: character type \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation:

**Ralph Spencer**: character type \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation:

**Ben Price**: character type \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation:

**Annabel**: character type \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation:

**Annabel's father**: character type \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation:



# STORY MAP

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Title</b> _____		<b>Author</b> _____	
<b>Setting</b>	<b>Mood</b>	<b>Major Character(s)</b>	
<b>Conflict</b>		<b>Minor Character(s)</b>	<b>Point of View</b>
<b>Resolution</b>		<b>Theme</b> <i>(underlying message)</i>	
<b>Introduction</b>		<b>Climax</b>	
<b>Rising Action</b>		<b>Falling Action</b>	
<b>Conclusion</b>			